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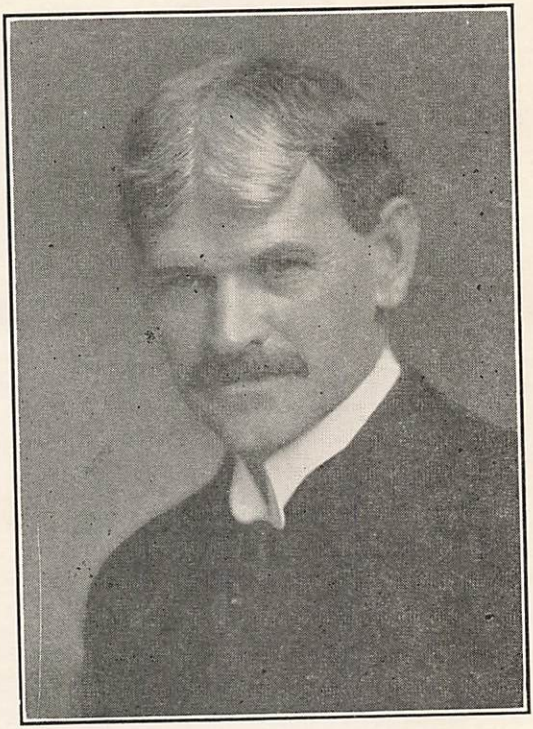

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CONFERENCE GROUP, 1914.

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DIRECTORY AF THE PACIFIC JAPANESE MISSION.

(All names in California unless otherwise indicated.)

Name	Conference	Came to Mission	Post Office Addres
Herbert B. Johnson, Supt.,	Calif...E..	1904	Berekley, Cal., P. O. Box
M. Yoshida	Calif...E..	1896	Bakersfield, 1016 22nd S
K. Yoshioka	Calif...P..	1908	Berkeley, 2119 Channing
I. Nishimura	S..	1914	Brawley, Calif., Box 597
H. Shirato	Colo...E..	1907	Denver, Col., 1827 Park A
I. Arauchi	Calif...P..	1914	Denver, Col., 1827 Park A
Y. Tsuda	Calif...D..	1913	Florin, P. O. Box 135.
M. Yoshida	Calif...E..	1896	Fresno, 1260 Kern St.
Y. Naito	Calif...S..	1913	Loomis, R. F. D.
S. Kawashima	Calif...E..	1908	Los Angeles, 1134 Georgi
S. Yoshimura	S..	1913	Oakland, Cor. 10th and
K. Baba	Calif. LD..	1908	Oxnard, P. O. Box 455.
T. Komuro	Calif...E..	1905	Palo Alto, 733 Ramona St
K. Kanazawa	E. Japan...E..	1914	Portland, Ore., 121 N. 15
H. Shirato	Colo...E..	1907	Pueblo, Col., 1500 Evans
Otoe So	Calif...E..	1909	Riverside, 292 Fifth St.
Y. Yamaka	Calif...D..	1912	Sacramento, 417 P St.
T Komuro	Calif...E..	1905	San Francisco, 1359 Pine
M. S. Vail	Calif...E..	1902	Oakland, 2242 7th Ave.
Anglo-Jap. School (M. S. Vail, Pres.)	....	....	San Francisco, 1359 Pine
K. Matsuoka	Calif...D..	1912	San Jose, 566 N. Fifth S
M. Obayashi	E. Japan...E..	1914	Seattle, 1236 Washington
Jap. Methodist Home for Men:		....	Seattle, 111, 11th Ave. S.
K. Itudani	S..	1914	Spokane, Wash., 217 S. Ho
A. Kato	E. Japan...E..	1913	Tacoma, Wash., S13&Tacon
Y. Yamaka	Calif...D..	1912	Vacaville, P. O. Box K.
Womans Homes.			
Jane Couch Home	....	....	Los Angeles, 1350 Burlin
Ellen Stark Ford Home	....	....	San Francisco, 2025 Pine
Catherine P. Blaine Home	....	....	Seattle, 318 11th Ave.
Detached Service.			
Z. Hirota, Evang. Dendo Dan.,	Calif...E..	1900	San Francisco, 1120 Goug
F. Sakaizawa (at School)	Calif...P..	1908	Los Angeles, 1134 Georgi
S. Arima *	Calif...E..	1910	Seattle, 1236 Washington
S. Fujii *	Calif...E..	1906	San Diego (Congl. Missio

E—Elder. D—Deacon P—Probationer. S—Supply.
L.D.—Local Deacon *(Supernumerary)

Officers and Sessions of the Mission

FRANCIS J. McCONNELL, D. D., LL. D. - - Presiding Bishop
Denver, Colorado.

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Box 29, Berkeley, Calif.

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2242 Seventh Avenue, East Oakland, Cal.

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K. MATSUOKA - - - - - - Statistical Secretary
566 N. Fifth St., San Jose, Calif.

M. YOSHIDA - - - - - - - - Treasurer
1260 Kern St., Fresno, Calif.

Date		Place	President	Secretary
Year	Meeting			
900	Sept. 12	Pacific Grove, Cal.	John W. Hamilton	Y. T. Kondo
901	Sept. 10	San Francisco, Cal.	C. C. McCabe	Y. S. Sacon
902	Sept 17	San Francisco, Cal.	I. W. Joyce	K. Obata
903	Sept. 4	San Francisco, Cal.	Earl Cranston	Z. Hirota
904	Aug. 31	San Francisco, Cal.	Luther B. Wilson	Milton S. Vail
905	Sept. 18	San Francisco, Cal.	Joseph F. Berry	Milton S. Vail
906	Sept. 5	San Francisco, Cal.	David H. Moore	Milton S. Vail
907	Sept. 5	Fresno, Cal.	Thomas B. Neely	Milton S. Vail
908	Sept. 4	Oakland, Cal.	Henry W. Warren	Milton S. Vail
909	Aug. 25	Seattle, Wash.	Charles W. Smith	Milton S. Vail
910	Sept. 2	San Francisco, Cal.	Edwin H. Hughes	Milton S. Vail
911	Sept. 11	Pacific Grove, Cal.	Edwin H. Hughes	Milton S. Vail
912	Aug. 30	Los Angeles, Cal.	Wm. O. Shepard	Milton S. Vail
913	Aug. 20	Seattle, Wash.	Richard J. Cooke	Milton S. Vail
914	Sept. 20	Oakland, Cal.	Francis J. McConnell	Milton S. Vail

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

1. Who are on Trial in Studies of First Year?

Katahide Yoshioka, Fusao Sakaizawa, Y. Naito, and I. Arauchi all of California Conference.

2. Who are on Trial?

(a) In Studies of Second Year?
M. Obayashi, California Conference.

(b) In Studies of Third Year?
None.

(c) In studies of Fourth Year?

3. Who are members of Conference in Studies of Third Year?

Yuzuro Yamaka , Yasaburo Tsuda, and Koichi Matsuoka, all of California Conference.

4. Who are Members of Conference in Studies of Fourth Year?

None.

5. What Traveling Preachers have been Ordained Deacons?

(a) In regular Course?
None.

(b) As Local Preachers?
None.

(c) Under Missionary Rule?
None.

(d) Under Seminary Rule?
None.

6. What Local Preachers have been Ordained Deacons?

None.

7. What Traveling Preachers have been Ordained Elders?

(a) In regular Course?
None.

(b) As Local Deacons?

(c) Under Missionary Rule?
None.

(d) Under Seminary Rule?
None.

8. What Local Deacons have been Ordained Elders?

None.

9. Was the Character of each Preacher Examined?

This was strictly attended to in open meeting.

10. What is the Statistical Report for this Year?
See Table of Statistics.

11. What is the aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference as reported by the Treasurer?
$1280.

12. Where are the Preachers Stationed?
See Appointments.

13. Where shall the next Annual Meeting be held?
San Francisco, Calif.

AUDIT OF SUPERINTENDENT'S ACCOUNTS.

This is to certify that we have audited the accounts of H. B. Johnson, Superintendent and Treasurer of the Pacific Japanese Mission, including an examination of all vouchers, and that we found them correctly kept: (1) Accounts of the year and including the accounts of September, 1914; (2) Special Accounts to date, including Church Building funds and the Conference Collections for 1913.

MILTON S. VAIL,
TOKUJIRO KOMURO.
Conference Auditing Committee.

Dated Berkeley, California, September 15, 1914.

APPOINTMENTS, PACIFIC JAPANESE MISSION, 1914.

Bishop Francis J. McConnell, Presiding.

NOTE—All appointments in California unless otherwise indicated.

Herbert B. Johnson, Superintendent, (California) Box 29, Berkeley, California.

Bakersfield—To be supplied from Fresno.

Berkeley—**K. Yoshioka** (California).

Colorado Circuit—**I. Arauchi** (California), P. O. Denver, Colo.

Denver, Colorado—H. Shirato (Colorado)

Florin—**Y. Tsuda** (California).

Fresno Circuit—M. Yoshida (California).

Imperial Valley—To be supplied by I. Nishimura.

Loomis—**Y. Naito** (California).

Los Angeles—S. Kawashima (California).

Los Angeles Circuit—To be supplied.

Oakland—S. Yoshimura (California).

Oxnard Circuit—K. Baba (Supply).

Palo Alto—Supplied from San Francisco.

Portland, Oregon—K. Kanazawa (E. Japan).

Pueblo, Colorado—Supplied from Denver.

Riverside—Otoe So (California).

Sacramento—**Y. Yamaka** (California).

San Francisco—T. Komuro (California)

San Francisco—Anglo-Japanese School, M. S. Vail, (California) President, 1359 Pine St., San Francisco.

San Jose—**K. Matsuoka** (California).

Seattle, Wash.—**M. Obayashi** (California).

Spokane, Wash.—To be supplied by K. Itadani.

Tacoma, Wash.—A. Kato (E. Japan).

Vacaville—To be supplied from Sacramento.

Special Appointments.

Z. Hirota (California) Evangelist under auspices of Dendo Dan.

F. Sakaizawa (California) left without appointment to attend School.

S. Arima (California Supernumeary).

S. Fujii (California Supernumerary).

Program

PRELIMINARY MEETING.

Wednesday, September 16.

8 p. m.—S. Yoshimura Presiding.
Reception to Pastors.

Thursday, September 17.

9 a. m.—Superintendent Presiding.
Devotional Service, M. Yoshida.
Address, "Christianity and Music," M. Obayashi.
Organization: Appointment of Committees, etc.
Miscellaneous Business.
Address, "The Present Religious Situation in Japan," K. Kanazawa.
2 p. m.—Superintendent Presiding.
Prayer.
Statistics.
Committee Meetings.
8 p. m.—S. Kawashima, Presiding.
Prayer.
Discussion: "Special Evangelism in 1915," Otoe So, T. Komuro.

Friday, September 18.

9 a. m.—Superintendent Presiding.
Devotional Service, K. Matsuoka.
Address: "Methodism Under the Southern Cross," Dr. Wm. C. Poole, Pastor Wesley Church, San Francisco.
Miscellaneous Business.
Discussion, "Country Work," Y. Naito; "City Work," S. Kawashima.
2 p. m.—Milton S. Vail, Presiding.
Prayer.
Discussion, "How Win the Children for Christ," K. Baba, Y. Tsuda.
"Methodism and Social Service," K. Yoshioka, S. Uemura.
8 p. m.—M. Yoshida, Presiding.
Mass Meeting. (Place to be announced.
Speakers, Y. Yamaka, Z. Hirota.

Saturday, September 19.

9 a. m.—Superintendent Presiding.
Devotional Service, K. Baba.
Address, "Christian Literature," A. Kato.
Miscellaneous Business.
Discussion: "Most Effective Methods of Work," S. Yoshimura,

Otoe So.

NOTE—The discussions are general. All members are expected to participate freely. Other topics may be discussed under "Miscellaneous Business" each morning.

Sunday, September 20.

10 a m.—Love Feast, M. Yoshida.

11 a. m.—Sermon, S. Kawashima.

3 p. m.—Woman's Meeting, Address, K. Kanazawa.

8 p. m.—Mass Meeting, Pastor Presiding. Addresses, T. Komuro, H. Shirato.

(Place to be announced.)

ANNUAL MEETING.

Bishop Francis J. McConnell, D. D., LL. D., President

Monday, September 21.

9 a. m.—The Lord's Supper.

Address by Bishop McConnell.

Organization.

Reports: Superintendent; Anglo Japanese School; Woman's Homes.

Introductions and Fraternal Greetings.

Miscellaneous Business.

2 p. m.—Conference of Bishop and Superintendent.

Committee Meetings.

8 p. m.—Reception to Bishop McConnell and the Conference at the New Berkeley Mission, 2119 Channing Way, Berkeley (Between Shattuck Avenue and Fulton.)

Tuesday, September 22.

9 a. m.—Devotional Exercises, Bishop McConnell.

Address: "The Benevolent Work of the Church," Dr. H. J. Coker.

Reports of Pastors.

Conference Business.

2 p. m.—Devotional Exercises, The Superintendent.

Reports of Committees.

Miscellaneous Business.

Closing address by Bishop McConnell.

Announcements of Appointments.

8 p. m.—California Conference Reception to Bishop McConnell, at First Methodist Episcopal Church, Oakland.

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FIRST BUSINESS SESSION.

Monday, September 21, 1914.

Following the usual preliminary meeting, which was held from Wednesday, Sept. 16 to and including Sunday, Sept. 20, the Pacific Japanese Mission of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened for its Fifteenth Annual Meeting, Monday, September 21st at 9 a. m., at the Japanese Methodist Episcopal Church in Oakland, California. Bishop Francis J. McConnell, D. D., LL.D., the President of the meeting took charge of the Sacramental Service, assisted by the Superintendent and the pastor of the local church, after which he asked the Secretary of last year to call the roll, and this was done with the following result:

Present

Baba, K., Brawley, Cal.; Hirota, Z., San Francisco; Johnson. H. B., Berkeley, Cal.; Kanazawa, K,. Portland, Ore.; Kato, A. Spokane, Wash.; Kawashima, S., Los Angeles, Cal.; Komuro, T., San Francisco; Matsuoka, K., San Jose, Cal.; Naito, Y., Loomis, Cal.; Obayashi, M., Seattle, Wash.; Shirato, H., Denver, Col.; So, Otoe, Riverside, Cal.; Tsuda, Y., Florin, Cal.; Yamaka, Y., Sacramento, Cal.; Yoshioka, K., Berkeley, Cal.; Yoshimura, S., Oakland, Cal.; Vail, M. S., Oakland, Cal.

S. Uemura, former pastor at Spokane, was also present. The Superintendent reported that K. Tajima had recently left for the East to attend school and that A. Kiniwa was leaving the work for the same reason.

Organization.

The following officers were elected: Secretary, Milton S. Vail; Japanese Secretary, Y. Yamaka; Statistical Secretary, K. Matsuoka; Assistant Statistical Secretary, Y. Tsuda; Treasurer, M. Yoshida; Assistant Treasurer, Y. Naito.

Standing Committees, 1914.

The Standing Committees were approved as follows:
To report in 1914:

Appropriations: Redistributions and Estimates—H. B. Johnson, A. Kato, T. Komuro, S. Kawashima, M. Yoshida.

Benevolences—H. Shirato, K. Matsuoka, Y. Tsuda.

Correspondence—M. Obayashi.

Christian Literature—Otoe So, M. Obayashi, H. Shirato, T. Komuro.

Education—S. Yoshimura, M. S. Vail, Y. Tsuda.

Epworth League—K. Knazawa, K. Yoshioka. ....

Home Missions and Church Extension—M. Yoshida, H. B. Johnson, A. Kato, T. Komuro, S. Kawashima.

Resolutions—Y. Naito, M. S. Vail, S. Yoshimura.

Self-Support—A. Kato, T. Komuro, H. B. Johnson, S. Kawashima, M. Yoshida.

Temperance and Social Reform—H. Shirato, K. Baba.

Women's Homes—M. Obayashi,, T. Komuro, S. Kawashima.

To Report in 1915:

Audit—M. S. Vali, and pastor at San Francisco.

Fraternal Visits—T. Komuro, M. Obayashi,, S. Kawashima.

Program—H. B. Johnson, San Francisco pastor, Otoe So, K. Kanazawa, M. Yoshida.

Publishing Minutes—M. S. Vail, H. B. Johnson, M. Obayashi, Otoe So.

Program

The program as printed was adopted as the program of this Annual Meeting.

Introductions

The pastors were all introduced to the Bishop by the Superintendent as their names were called, and the following visiting friends were introduced: Mrs. C. B. Perkins, Chairman of the Woman's Bureau for Japanese and Korean Women and Children; Dr. J. D. Hammond, Dr. A. J. Hanson and Rev. W. D. Johnson of the California Annual Conference; Dr. Ward Platt, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension; Dr. J. A. Mulfinger, Recording Secretary of the Board of Conference Claimants; Dr. S. D. Hutsinpillar, District Superintendent of the Oakland District; Dr. Edward James, Superintendent of the Pacific Chinese Mission; E. A. Sturge, M. D., Superintendent of the Presbyterian Japanese Missions; Mrs. Sarah Russell and Mrs. S. Takeshita of Oakland; Rev. M. Kobayashi, Secretary of the Dendo Dan; Rev. K. Miyazaki, pastor Presbyterian Church, San Francisco; and Dr. Eugene R. Smith, for many years the editor of Gospel in All Lands; Rev. and Mrs. I. Arauchi, from Hawaii, coming to join the Mission. Of the above the following addressed the Conference: Drs. Platt, Hanson, Mulfinger, James, Hutsinpillar, Sturge, and Revs. Kobayashi and Miyazaki. The address of Secretary Platt was full of inspiration and encouragement.

Church Federation

In view of the addresses of Dr. Sturge and Revs. M. Kobayashi and K. Miyazaki, it was voted to appoint a Standing Commit-

tee on Federation. The following were appointed: H. B. Johnson, S. Kawashima, T. Komuro and M. Yoshida.

Reports

The Superintendent read his Annual Report which was accepted and ordered printed in the Official Minutes. M. S. Vail, President of the Anglo-Japanese School, and Mrs. C. B. Perkins, Chairman of Work for Women and Children, presented their reports which were also accepted and ordered printed in the English Minutes.

Excused

Y. Yamaka, the Japanese Secretary was suddenly called to attend a funeral and M. Obayashi was appointed Assistant Secreeary.

Adjournment.

The announcements were made and the meeting adjourned with the benediction pronounced by Dr. Mulfinger.

SECOND BUSINESS SESSION.

September 22, 1914.

The Conference met at 9 a. m., with Bishop McConnell in the chair, and after devotions the Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Transfer

The Bishop announced the transfer of **M. Obayashi,** a probationer of the second year, from the East Japan Conference to the California Conference, to work in connection with the Mission.

Disciplinary Questions

The Bishop took up the Disciplinary Questions with the following results:

1. Who are on Trial in Studies of First Year?

Katahide Yoshioka, Fusao Sakaizawa, Y. Naito and I Arauchi, all of California Conference.

2. Who are on Trial?

(a) In Studies of Second Year?
M. Obayashi, California Conference.

(b) In Studies of Third Year?
None.

(c) In Studies of Fourth Year?
None.

3. Who are Members of Conference in Studies of Third Year?

Yuzuro Yamaka, Yasaburo Tsuda, Koichi Matsuoka, all of California Conference.

4. Who are Members of Conference in Studies of Fourth Year?

None.

5. What Traveling Preachers have been Ordained Deacons?

(a) In regular course?
None.

(b) As local Preachers?
None.

(c) Under Missionary Rule?
None.

(d) Under Seminary Rule?
None.

6. What Local Preachers have been Ordained Deacons?
None.

7. What Traveling Preachers have been Ordained Elders?

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None.

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None.

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None.

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None.

8. What Local Preachers have been Ordained Elders?
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9. Was the Character of each Preacher Examined?
This was strictly attended to in open meeting.

10. What is the Statistical Report for this Year?
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11. What is the aggregate of the Benevolent Collections Ordered by the General Conference as Reported by the Treasurer?
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12. Where are the Preachers Stationed?
See Appointments.

13. Where shall the next Annual Meeting be held?
San Francisco, Calif.

Reports Of Pastors.

The following pastors made their reports which were accepted: K. Baba, Imperial Valley; Z. Hirota, Special Appointment; K. Kanasawa, Portland, Oregon; A. Kato, Spokane; S. Kawashima, Los Angeles; T. Komuro, San Francisco and Palo Alto; K. Matsuoka, San Jose; Y. Naito, Loomis; M. Obayashi, Seattle; H. Shirato, Denver and Pueblo; Otoe So, Riverside; Y. Tsuda, Florin; Y. Yamaka, Sacramento and Vacaville; M. Yoshida, Fresno and Bakersfield; K. Yoshioka, Berkeley; S. Yoshimura, Oakland; S. Kawashima and K.

Baba reported the work of Oxnard Circuit and the Superintendent reported for Tacoma.

Commission On Finance.

Dr. H. J. Coker of Denver, representing the Commission on Finance, addressed the Conference touching the work of the various Benevolent Boards of our Church. He illustrated his subject by the use of charts which indicated that the Pacific Japanese Mission takes high work.

Introductions.

J. Mori, Pastor of the German Reformed Japanese Church of San Francisco; T. Kaneko, Secretary of the same Church; J. Ozaki, President of the Japanese Layman's Union of Alameda County; and S. Kodaira, Pastor of the Oakland Congregational Church, were introduced and addressed the Meeting.

Fraternal Greetings.

A letter of greeting from Seimei Yoshioka, pastor of the Mita Church in Tokyo, and formerly of Seattle, was read. The Superintendent presented the greetings of the Superintendents of the Hawaiian Mission and the Canadian Methodist Japanese Mission, and on motion he and the Secretary were requested to send suitable greetings to them in return as also to brother Yoshioka.

Auditors' Report.

M. S. Vail for the Committee on Audit read the report which was accepted.

Official Journal.

On motion of T. Komuro it was voted that the English Minutes shall be the Official Journal of this Annual Meeting, and Dr. Johnson and M. S. Vail were authorized to edit and publish the same.

The meeting then adjourned with the benediction by Dr. Coker.

THIRD BUSINESS SESSION.

The Conference re-convened at 2.30 P. M. with the Bishop in the chair. Rev. Wm. Acton, Superintendent of Japanese work of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, led the devotions. He and Dr. J. J. Kenny, Presiding Elder of the same Church, were introduced. The Minutes of the morning's meeting were read and approved.

Reports Of Committees.

The Standing Committees then reported as follows: Appropriations—Redistribution and Estimates, H. B. Johnson; Benevolences, H. Shirato; Christian Literature; Otoe So, Education; S. Yoshimura, Epworth Leagues; K. Kanazawa, Epworth Leagues; Home Mission and Church Extension, H. B. Johnson; Self-Support,

H. B. Johnson; Temperance and Social Reform, K. Baba; Woman's Homes, S. Kawashima; Resolutions, M. S. Vail.

Missionary Sermon.

The Bishop appointed H. Shirato to preach the Missionary Sermon next year with M. Obayashi as alternate.

Mission Board Of Church Extension.

The Bishop appointed the following as the Mission Board of Home Missions and Church Extension: H. B. Johnson, T. Komuro M. S. Vail, K. Komoriya and S. Takeshita.

Salaries.

On motion of H. B. Johnson, it was voted that we report to the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension that the maximum salary of the pastors who are assisted by the Board shall be fixed for the current year at $750, exclusive of house rent.

Increase Of Appropriation.

At his request, the Superintendent was given authority to increase the grant-in-aid to the San Jose Charge after January first.

Introductions.

Mrs. T. H. Hageman, Superintendent Elementary Division of the California Sunday School Association and member of the International Elementary Division; T. Nomura of Berkeley, and K. Suzuki and M. Fujii, members of the Official Board of the local Church were introduced and spoke a few words.

Closing Of Conference.

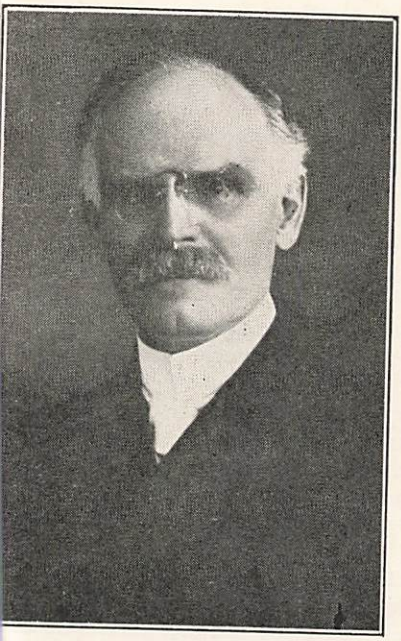
After the reading of the Minutes, Bishop McConnell led in prayer, and after a short, earnest address he read the Appointments and pronounced the Benediction; and thus closed the Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the Pacific Japanese Mission.

Certification.

We hereby certify that the above is a correct report of the Fifteenth Session of the Pacific Japanese Mission, and that the English Minutes were adopted by the Mission as its Official Record of Proceedings.

Attest: FRANCIS J. McCONNELL, Presiding Bishop.

MILTON S. VAIL, Secretary.



Herbert B. Johnson, D.D.,
Superintendent.

Milton S. Vail, A. B.,
President of the School.

ANNUAL REPORT OF HERBERT B. JOHNSON, D.D., SUPERINTENDENT OF THE PACIFIC JAPANESE MISSION, 1913-4.

The Pacific Japanese Mission continues to steadily advance. Both spiritually and materially there is much to encourage in the work of the year. In widely separated fields our pastors have labored faithfully against tremendous odds. They have been tireless and patient, and under circumstances which have been very discouraging bring reports that are hopeful.

Substantial Gains.

The statistics will show substantial gains in baptisms, both adults and children, in probationers enrolled and now on the roll, and in membership both resident and non-resident. If the term "non-resident" were interpreted to mean absence from the community rather than unknown to the pastor for more than one year, a much larger number of our members would be on the non-resident list. Our system of keeping in touch with absent members, specially those who are living in remote places away from other Japanese Christian Churches, makes it impossible under the Discipline to report many of the members absent who are so in a very real sense.

Strained Relations.

The general depression has greatly affected financial conditions among the Japanese on the Coast, but times among the Japanese residents in California have been particularly hard owing to the passing of the anti-alien land bills. This legislation unfortunately is still the cause of strained relations between the two governments. The contention of the Japanese authorities, which is not understood from the epitome of the correspondence published, is not for a wide open door for Japanese laborers but rather for justice and a square deal for those Japanese residents already lawfully in the United States. An increasing number of American citizens are coming to realize that the legislation was uncalled for and is a direct result of a continued and unreasoning agitation against our Japanese people who, for the most part, are among our most desirable immigrants. It is one of the laws of psychology that a statement frequently repeated in the same language will, without proof, come to be believed first by the more ignorant and then by all classes. Whether knowingly or otherwise, the agitators against the Orientals on this Coast, particularly the Japanese, have had this fact to assist them and what success they have had is largely due to it.

Commission of the Federal Council.

It is a source of great satisfaction that the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America has, through a Commission of Fifteen, of whom our Presiding Bishop is one, arranged for a careful survey of the real conditions. They come to this task with open

minds, and we are confident that their report when completed, together with that of the United States Immigration Commission, will be most helpful in bringing about a better understanding. In view of recent development in the Orient the Commission may have a larger task than that originally contemplated. A movement seems to have been started in this country aimed at the alienation of American sympathy from the Japanese on account of the Emperor's ultimatum to the Kaiser. Careful students of Oriental problems are sure to ascertain the real facts as to England's invitation, Japan's ambition, etc. but it is not difficult to mislead the public.

Disturbing Influences.

These various international questions have a very disturbing influence upon religious work among the Japanese both in their homeland and here on the Coast. It is most natural that such events should have an exciting effect, that they should not only crowd religion out of the thoughts of the people but prejudice them against Christianity—the religion of America and Europe. To have held our own this year would mean victory, but we have done much more.

Increase.

In view of our limited time this year, only two Conference days with many necessary interruptions, and the fact that last year my report was comprehensive and is available for reference so far as general conditions are concerned, I will make the present report as brief as possible. While four of our larger churches report decreases in membership, the total for the twenty-two churches or missions is seventy-three larger than last year. M. Yoshida, the nestor of our pastors, while reporting losses both at Fresno and at Bakersfield has enrolled twenty-one probationers, fourteen at the former and seven at the latter. He has traveled extensively throughout the upper San Joaquin Valley. We have several other large circuits, particularly Oxnard, Imperial Valley and Colorado.

Work Among Children.

The work among children is specially encouraging at Seattle, Tacoma, Loomis, Florin, Los Angeles, Riverside, San Jose, Berkeley, Oakland, and San Francisco. At Florin, a new field much discussed in connection with the land question, the pastor, brother Tsuda, conducts both a day school and a Sunday school, the former to supplement the village school by teaching the Japanese language to all the children and English to the children of the lower grades to fit them for the public school. A fine opportunity for moral and religious instruction is furnished. At Sacramento special union revival meetings were held for several weeks. The student class is ministered to particularly at San Francisco, San Jose, Los Anegles, Denver, Palo Alto, and Berkeley. Fine workers are being continually developed. The work among families in most of the missions and churches is specially important and hopeful.

Material Advance.

The material advance has been particularly heartening under the circumstances. During the year Loomis has built a five roomed parsonage, Riverside has cleared up all indebtedness on its fine property, including church and parsonage, Florin has purchased a lot and building, Oakland has thoroughly repaired and repainted its property, San Francisco has completed plans for a dormitory and parsonage and raised over two thousand dollars on subscription, and Bakersfield has twelve hundred dollars in hand for a new church, having previously purchased the lot. Some of these enterprises involve supplementary aid from the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension sooner or later, but all the missions are very self helpful. Ten years ago we had four properties valued at about sixteen thousand dollars. These have increased to fifteen valued at over $120,000 of which only $31,500 represent outside aid. The reports this year show a steady increase in local ministerial support. This would be much larger but for the loyalty of our members to the general Disciplinary benevolences specially to the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. With the co-operation of this generous Board and the Denver Church Extension Society, it is planned in Denver to convert a down town American Church into a splendid Japanese institutional Church. Toward this, the pastor has been very active in pushing the local subscriptions, which amounts will not show in this year's statistics.

Benevolences.

In the sheet of Official Apportionments sent out by the Commission of Finance, there are stars indicating that half of our churches and missions last year paid for each of the seven causes as much or more than the equitable apportionment would be for the current year, and that almost without exception the other churches did so for most of the Benevoent Boards. The indications are that the reports will be even better this year.

Itinerary and Incidents.

The field assigned me involves long trips and much time away from home. During the past year I have spent fifty-five nights in Pullman sleeping cars, the equivalent of eight weeks. Twenty-eight of these, or just half, have been in California, thirteen were necessary in two trips to Colorado, and fourteen in two trips to our missions in Oregon and Washington—Portland, Tacoma, Seattle and Spokane. Of course much additional time was spent in shorter trips and in hotels. While I have worked extensively, my work has also been intensive. It is encouraging to note that our brethren are very appreciative, and have frequently urged me to take it easier.

Many interesting incidents have been told of the power of the Gospel among the Japanese on this Coast in the earlier days.

Special inquiry has revealed the fact that we are still in the days of these miracles of grace. In one town where we have work, there were four men so addicted to drink that they were known as the four kings of drink. Through the influence of our local Japanese Church three of them were converted and have established good Christian homes. Two of them are officers in the church, one being the chief supporter among the members. The fourth man, though not yet baptised, has given up the cup and is deeply interested in the church. In another mission, among many young men doing coarse work in a mill, two who were led to the mission took up instrumental music and have become experts in piano and violin. One of these is specially active and influential in Christian work. One of our pastors visited in the hospital a young fellow who had lost a limb in a mill and was instrumental in his conversion. He is now one of the most active and useful members of the church. There is one story as interesting as fiction of a young fellow, a noted gambler, being brought to himself by pastoral visitation. He has consecrated himself to Christ and is now preparing for Christian work. A photograph of a group of young men in one of our missions a few years ago gives striking testimony to the uplifting power of our world. Practically all have since entered one of our best universities, and one has recently offered himself for the ministry.

Sabbath Observance.

I had the privilege recently of running into one of our country churches unexpectedly on the Sabbath and was much gratified to find a remarkably good attendance both of adults and of children It was a time of year when many of our American people make an excuse for working on Sunday. However, frankness requires the admission that in many of our churches, particularly in the citines, the attendance is quite small. This is due to many causes. It woud be a great mistake for casual visitors to conclude that such small attendance really means lack of interest or defeat.

The Exposition.

Our San Francisco Church is manifesting much interest in welcoming with a Christian message the Japanese visitors to the Exposition next year. It is hoped that some plan may be developed to encourage the coming of strong Christian workers from Japan for special work during these critical months. Three classes may be reached by such unusual efforts; those already here but indifferent, those who come in from various parts of California and surrounding States, and those who come from Japan. It is hoped to have the dormitory completed in good time for this special need.

Aggressive Work.

Special mention should be made of the aggressive work of the pastor and members of the Los Angeles Church. Some months

ago, they rented a hall or store in the down town section and fitted it up for an attractive branch mission. A Sunday school is being conducted and preaching services held both in the hall and on the street nearby. This new movement is a decided success. I regret to report that on account of the activity of the I. W. Ws., the authorities in several cities will not permit street meetings to be held. This has greatly crippled our work and prevents the exercise and development of gifts on the part of our Epworth Leaguers. Much has been accomplished in the past in this way.

The Conference Roll is quite different from a year ago.

Changes In Personnel.

Seattle was left to be supplied, on account of brother Yoshioka's return to Japan, and early in the Spring I secured brother M. Obayashi upon his graduation from Drew. Having assisted brother Yoshioka a year before going East, he was the unanimous choice of the members. During the interim regular services were continued and the church did not appear to suffer as we feared. There have been changes also both at Portland and Tacoma. Brother G. Murata supplied at the former until the holidays and then resigned. We were fortunate to secure K. Kanazawa, a member of the East Japan Conference of the Methodist Church of Japan who has served as pastor of the Vancouver Church, British Columbia, for the past six or seven years. He has recently returned from a brief visit to Japan. S. Nomi returned to Japan in time to take work in his home conference in March since which time brother G. Takaku a student in the University, has been in charge of the work at Tacoma. He wishes to give his entire time to study, and it will be necessary to supply a successor. The need is urgent as there is a fine opportunity of work among children. On account of ill health, brother S. Nakanishi was obliged to resign as assistant in Colorado, and H. Shirato, the pastor at Denver and the apostle to that great State, has recently secured his brother as co-pastor from the Hawaiian Islands where he has been a pastor-teacher. Brother Arauchi and his wife have recently arrived and are with us for th first time. We cordially welcome all these new workers.

Two of our local prachers who have served as assistant pastors are now dropping out to attend school, A. Kiniwa from Los Angeles and K. Tajima from San Francisco. Both were greatly appreciated and will carry with them the love and gratitude of the members with whom they have been associated. Lack of sufficient funds made it impossible to supply the work at Vacaville and Oxnard with resident pastors. The former has been supplied from Sacramento and the latter from Los Angeles.

Our Homes And School.

Our Homes for Women and Children at Seattle, San Francisco,

nd Los Angeles are of great value. The two former have been rowded. The ladies at Los Angeles are contemplating a change f location so as to be able to accomplish more in the down town ection. Our own school under the presidency of Dr. M. S. Vail, he Anglo-Japanese School at San Francisco, has had an enrollment f 178, including eighteen women. Brother Vail is held in high re-ard by the Japanese of San Francisco and Oakland and enjoys the onfidence and love of our brethren in the ministry. All of these nstitutions will be represented in separate reports. Would that I ad time and space not for words of praise but of real appreciation!

Preliminary Meeting.

In the Preliminary Meeting, during the past four days, we have one a lot of routine work, have freely exchanged opinions as to he relative importance of methods and fields and types of work, nd have enjoyed delighful fellowship. Yesterday was a real Con-erence Sunday with all that is generally anticipated and enjoyed.

The Outlook.

Notwithstanding the very difficult problems in several places, nd the many discouragements in all, we face the new year hope-ully. During the last few years much progress has been made naterially, and the new equipment will be of incalculable value, but he pressing need for the year to come is spiritual. We cannot be atisfied without more accessions. For these we long and labor and ray.

REPORT OF THE ANGLO-JAPANESE SCHOOL.

Milton S. Vail, President.

In writing this, my eleventh Annual Report, I desire to record ny sincere thanks to Him whose loving kindness is better than life or the mercies granted to teachers and pupils alike. In quietness, armony and Christian love and zeal, we have been permitted to arry on our work.

Courses Of Study, Students And Teachers.

Our courses of study were the same as last year, except that we dded Hagar Beets' Through Christ to God, and Gayley's Mythology n the post graduate course.

In the middle of the school year, Mr. S. Saito obtained a posi-ion at $80 per month in the Japanese Association and gave up his vork in the day school, and Mr. M. Machida, a former teacher, took is place.

Of our Faculty, three were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, one a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, one a Congregationalist, one an Episcopalian and one a member of no Church.

We have had an enrollment of 178 pupils, being an increase of welve over last year. Eighteen of these were young women, most of

whom are married, and who find it necessary to learn some English. During the year our hearts were saddened by the burning to death of one of our youngest pupils.

Weekly talks on religion were given by Brother T. Komuro, the pastor of the Church and by the President of the School; instruction in the Life of Christ and in the Graded Lessons of the Sunday School was also imparted. As these lessons were taught in a conversational way, the pupils gladly received them, and in this simple manner have made progress in the study of God's word. The study of Gow's Good Morals and Gentle Manners which is founded on the Bible has been of great help. In June we held our Twenty-first Annual Commencement exercises. The President preached the Annual sermon. There were two graduates. About one in ten of the pupils are professing Christians and belong either to our own or to some sister church. During the year only two or three were converted and joined our church. Our hearts go out to God for greater results the coming year. Still we are sure the quiet sowing of the seed has not been in vain.

The cruel god of selfishness, gold, fills the minds of the youth of the present day everywhere, to such an extent that the young become confused in the estimate of true values and thus fail to seek God the only source of real peace within, and true comfort without. We have faith to believe, however, that many who have left the school without professing Christ shall yet find Him to the joy of their souls.

Financial Statement.

Receipts.

From the Mission	$564
From Tuition and Fees	$916
	$1480

Expendtiures.

Salaries	$1066
Advertising	67.50
Electricity	86.10
Water	31.49
Gas	28.33
Miscellaneous	124.50
	$1403.92
Balance	76.08
	$1480

Old debt reduced to 93.92

These accounts were audited by H. B. Johnson and T. Komuro

Anniversary Celebration.

In October, 1913, the Alumni and friends of the school observ-
l the Tenth Anniversary of President and Mrs. Vail's connection
ith the school and the Pacific Japanese Mission. A large number
ere present at the church, among whom was Consual General Nu-
ano and other distinguished guests. A choice program was pre-
ared at the close of which a fine Elgin Gold Watch, fittingly in-
ribed, was presented to Prof. Vail and a heavy plated silver dish
Mrs. Vail. Another gift was a large unique picture representing
e Rising Sun, a Stork and a Pine Tree that was drawn in the
esence of the guests in less than twenty minutes by a skillful ar-
st. These emblems indicate prosperity, happiness and long life.
ur hearts were touched by this sponteous expression of apprecia-
on and made us determined to do more than ever for the young
en and the young women from Japan.

New Dormitories.

The new building is much needed for the Parsonage, church
d school interests and we earnestly pray that the money needed
ay soon be collected. Our school is now the only Protestant
hool of high grade for the Japanese in San Francisco and so far
I know the only one on the coast, and should be sustained in
ery way.

There are 12,000 infants born every year in California of all
tionalities. There are now in this state 10,000 Japanese little
ildren all of whom may in a few years become citizens of Ameri-
. How to properly educate these little ones for the church and
r country is a problem that demands the most careful attention
our keenest and most Godly thinkers. Money, brains, Chris-
n consecration and the Heavenly Father's help can alone solve
e problems. May God help us Methodists to accept the challenge
d to rise up to the occasion, to do and dare great things for Him.

WOMAN'S HOMES.

(Report of the work of the Woman's Home Missionay Society
the Methodist Episcopal Church among the Japanese and Korean
omen and Children.)

By Mrs. C. B. Perkins, Bureau Secretary.

San Francisco.

The Ellen Stark Ford Home, 2025 Pine Street, San Francisco,
s had a successful year. The family numbers forty-two; nearly
irty little ones have been cared for, besides those who come in
r the day while the mothers are busily employed. The Kinder-
rten has been well attended and, under the management of Miss
ckwood, is doing fine work. During the year one little tot two
ar's old has been transplanted to the Better Land—only the sec-
d death in twelve years, both children being frail.

Four of our girls are attending the High School. One of these thirteen years of age, who has always stood number one in he class and who has been out much during the year on account o ill health, was passed on her former standing into the High Schoo and is doing fine work.

Seattle.

The Katherine P. Blaine Home, Seattle, has had excellent suc cess under its devoted Chairman, Mrs. Frank B. Carter and her as sociates, and under the management of Miss Mabel G. Anderso who is Superintendent, Matron, Bible Woman and Immigran Worker combined. Just how long her strength will endure it difficult to say; but the Japanese community appreciate her e forts, and her work is highly esteemed by all. A flourishing Kin dergarten of thirty-eight little tots is one of the strong features o this work.

Los Angeles.

The Jane Couch Memorial Home of Los Angeles has don equally good work, and has proved a haven of rest for many weary one. Here peace councils have been held, misunderstan ings righted, and reconciliations brought about. Husbands an wives have gone out from the shelter of its roof resolved to sta life over again from a different view point, and there has bee rejoicing among the angels over this work.

Too much credit cannot be given to Mrs. Baird for what sh and the local committee have accomplished. It is expected th a permanent Superintendent will soon take charge, and that ear in the year a Bible Woman may be secured for this important fiel We ask your earnest co-operation in this department of the Lord work and your prayers that it may go steadily forward until a shall know Him whom to know aright is Life Eternal.

COMMITTEES REPORTS.

Appropriations: Redistribution and Estimates.

Your Committee would recommend as follows:

1. As to the balance for 1914: That the expenditures f the remainder of the present calendar year follow the rates pu lished in the Conference Minutes of 1913, except that Oxnard sha receive $25 monthly and Vacaville $7.33 in order to bring the e penditures down to the appropriation of $13,000.

2. For the year 1915. Owing to the increased cost of livin to the fact that an increasing number of our pastors are marrie and to the special stringency among the Japanese residents of t Coast, we reccomend generous increases for the year 1915,

he same time pledging ourselves to do the utmost possible in the
nterest of self-support.

Bakersfield, per month	$ 20
Berkeley, per month	30
Colorado Circuit, per month	35
Denver, per month	45
Florin, per month	40
Fresno Circuit, per month	23
Imperial Valley, per month	40
Loomis, per month	30
Los Angeles, per month	33
Los Angeles City Mission, per month	20
Oakland, per month	45
Oxnard Circuit, per month,	25
Palo Alto, per month	10
Portland, per month	30
Pueblo, per month	24
Riverside, per month	25
Sacramento, per month	40
San Francisco, per month	37
San Jose, per month	36
Seattle, per month	40
Spokane, per month	30
Tacoma, per month	40
Vacaville, per month	7.33
Churches, per month	$ 705.33
Anglo-Japanese School, per month	47
" " M. S. Vail, President, per month	125
Publication, per month	10
Superintendent: Salary and Rent, per month	225
Travel and Mission Expenses, per month	42
Travel: Special of Preachers, per month	13
Total per month	$1167.33
Total per year (1915)	$14,008
Interdenominat'l Home Mis. Board (Dendo Dan)	200
Special work in connection with Exposition	1000
Grand total	$15,208

H. B. JOHNSON, Chairman,
S. KAWASHIMA, Secretary.

Benevolences.

An encouraging feature of our work the past year has bee that almost all of the churches raised their benevolences in fu We recognize that they have done their very best for the regul benevolences. Our churches have given about fifty dollars mo than the apportionment for Home Missions and Church Extensio in gratitude for its generous aid.

We also recognize the fact that in increasing the cont butions for benevolences, training in systematic giving is importan While large amounts have been given for local benevolences a institutional work, our members are loyal to the connectional i terests. But economically the Japanese people of this countrw a in bad shape this year by reason of the industrial depression. view of the special stress, we hope the Boards will not further i crease the regular apportionments.

H. SHIRATO, Chairman,
K. MATSUOKA, Secretary.

Christian Literature.

The demand for Christian literature on the Pacific Coast is great that we are now publishing three Methodist papers:—

The Japanaese North-American Advocate, representing o work in the Northwest with five hundred copies a month; The Ja anese Methodist Review in Southern California with over 800 cop monthly; and The Living Waters, published at Denver, Colora having a large circulation. All of these are very helpful in o work, esecially among the people who are scattered throughout t country.

We recommend (1) that twenty-five dollars be allowed for t publication of the special Conference Number of the Japanese Me odist Review in which our Minutes are to be published; (2) Th the whole work of the Pacific Japanese Mission be reported onc quarter in a special paper to be called The Quarterly Review Coast Japanese Methodism; (3) That special efforts be made provide suitable tracts and pamphlets for our evangelistic work the Exposition of 1915.

OTOE SO, Chairman,
T. KOMURO, Secretary.

Education: Religious and Secular.

Your Committee begs to report:

(1) We will continue to aid financially our Board of Edu tion in the great work it is doing for humanity, and we pray for

still greater success.

(2) Our School in San Francisco has had a successful year, showing an increase of pupils and interest. The only school of high grade for the Japanese youth in America, it deserves all the help we can render it, and we pledge ourselves to do all we can to help the President and faculty in the excellent work being done.

(3) We urge the necessity of better library facilities in all of our churches and Missions. Let there be purchased many up-to-date books for the young, and let us ask the Tract Societies and the Sunday School Union to help us in this.

(4) We urge that all our Sunday Schools purchase the Sunday School papers published by our church in English, and also those published in Japanese in Japan. We rejoice in the forward movement of our Sunday Schools under the able leadership of Dr. Blake and his associates and we pledge them our hearty support.

We urge the introduction so far as is practicable of our Graded Sunday School Lessons, and that all of our pastors not only try to secure good teachers, but that they themselves take classes in the schools.

(5) We recommend that so far as possible day schools be established in all of our Missions for our children where they may receive kindergarten instruction and receive instruction in the Japanese language under Christian influences.

S. YOSHIMURA, Chairman.
M. S. VAIL, Secretary.

Epworth Leagues.

It is impossible to overestimate the importance of work among the young people. This has been a special feature of our work from the beginning. Young people need the guides and guards of these organizations.

We have fourteen Leagues located in the following places: Berkeley, Denver, Florin, Fresno, Loomis, Los Angeles, Portland, Pueblo, Riverside, Sacramento, San Francisco, Seattle, Spokane, and Tacoma. A few of these are not yet connected with the Central Office, and we advise that these secure charters as soon as possible. In all there are 382 members, showing a gain over last year of 62.

In the activities of these Leagues, emphasis is laid upon hospital visitation, literary work, and spiritual culture. Many of these Leagues have been instrumental in adding to the membership of the Church. Almost without exception the members are loyal to the services and work of the Church. Experience has shown that the future of the Church depends upon saving the young

K. KANAZAWA, Chairman,
K. YOSHIOKA, Secretary.

Home Missions and Church Extension:—
Conference Credit.

We recommend to the Board of Home Missions and Church Ex
tension grants as follows from the balances of 1912 and 1913 whic
we have so far not been able to draw because unable to meet con
ditions:

Denver in part, application on file	$2,000
Bakersfield for Church; San Jose plan	1000
Loomis to complete parsonage	200
	$3200

We recommend to the General Committee authorization thi
November as follows:

Denver to be applied on property	$2000
San Francisco; Installment on Loan	1000
Florin for Church	2000
	$5000

M. YOSHIDA, Chairman,
H. B. JOHNSON, Secretary.

Self-Support.

We are gratified that the churches connected with the Pacif
Japanese Mission are advancing in ministerial support as noted b
the figures for the past three years: 1912, $3584; 1913, $4167
1914, $4403. In addition to this an amount equal to half of this su
is annually expended for current expenses and quite large sums f
institutional work, for improvements, and on indebtedness. Th
property subscriptions at San Francisco and Denver cannot be show
in this year's reports.

While gratified with the advance made, we are far from sati
fied. Our aim is complete self-support, but owing to the gener
financial situation and the special conditions in California, th
progress has been much slower than desired. We respectfully r
quest the Commission on Finance to consider the wisdom of r
ducing our apportionments for general benevolences until we mo
nearly attain self-support. There is a limit beyond which we ca
not go and most of our church officers feel that more should be p
into local ministerial support and less into the general benevolence
Of course, we make an exception in the case of the Board of Hom
Missions and Church Extension, to which we can never pay our de
of gratitude for their generous annual aid.

A. KATO, Chairman.
A. KOMURO, Secretary.

Temperance and Social Reform.

Your Committee desires to present the following:

(1) We deem it highly important to do everything possible to bring about moral reform in the camps of daily laborers and in the boarding houses in undesirable locations down town.

(2) We should sustain, in all legitimate ways, the cause of temperance and the movement against the use of tobacco.

(3) We recommend the establishment of temperance societies in every church in the Conference.

(4) We unitedly set our faces against gambling in all forms, and we pledge ourselves to do all we can to save our youth from the snares of evil men.

(5) We strongly encourage temperance in all Japanese homes. The education of our children and housewives in the homes under Christian influences is very important.

(6) Though the movement of Temperance and Social Reform is very difficult yet we must bravely push forward and we know that our work in the Lord is not in vain.

H. T. SHIRATO, Chairman.
K. BABA, Secretary.

Woman's Homes.

We desire to express our gratitude for the kindness and sympathy of the Woman's Committees whose work in Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Seattle has been so successful both financially and spiritually during the year. May God bless all these elect women for their labors of love.

We heartily recognize that the Woman's Committees are working more and more in harmony with the Japanese Churches. We note that already it has been decided to invite a Japanese Bible Woman from Japan to take work in Los Angeles in furthering the interests of the Home and the Church.

We heartily approve the opening of a Day Nursery in San Francisco, and rejoice that plans have been made for a similar work in Los Angeles. The increase of Japanese families on the Coast makes this work doubly important, in evangelizing them and in bringing them into close relation to our churches.

Successful kindergarten work is being carried on both in Seattle and in San Francisco. We believe that the work among the children will result in drawing the families nearer to the Homes and the Churches.

M. OBAYASHI, Chairman,
T. KOMURO, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

Bishop Francis J. McConnell, D. D. LL. D.

We are more than glad to have Bishop McConnell with us. As one of the Committee of Fifteen appointed by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America to study Japanese conditions on this Coast we welcome him, and will aid him all we can to gather the information that he seeks.

As the best known pupil of the late Dr. Borden P. Bowne, whose philosophical works have done so much for the Christian Church, the name of Francis J. McConnell is familiar to many Japanese students of Theology in Japan and in America, and his articles on philosophical and religious subjects are read with interest and profit. We consider it a great honor to have the earnest and eminent scholar, the successful teacher, the popular college president and now the thoroughly consecrated bishop as our presiding officer. We thank him for his brotherly treatment, and praying God's richest blessings upon him and his in all their labors of Christian love, we assure him of a hearty welcome should he again be assigned to our Annual Mission Meeting.

Mrs. Eliza Gibson.

We have learned with sorrow of the severe illness of Mrs. Gibson, the mother of our Japanese Work in America. Her name is closely linked with that of her sainted husband, the late Dr. Otis Gibson, whose name is precious to us, for he was the father beloved of the Japanese Mission in San Francisco over thirty years ago.

We commend our American Mother to the loving mercy of our Heavenly Father, praying that He will tenderly place underneath her His arms of strength and love, and grant her to realize the constant presence of our blessed Redeemer, and that, if it may please God, it may still be granted to Mrs. Gibson to abide among us to do us and the world good by her Christlike presence.

Our Visiting Secretaries.

We have listened with a feeling of deep gratitude to the address of Dr. Ward Platt on Home Missions and Church Extension. We realize that without the generous aid given us by the Mission Boards there could not have come into existance a Pacific Japanese Mission of the Methodist Episcopal Church; but it does exist as a leavening power among our people.

Under the fostering care of the Board, and under the leadership of our devoted, level-headed and consecrated Superintendent, we assure Dr. Platt and his associate Secretaries that this Mission will more and more endeavor to do its best in building up the Kingdom of God among the Japanese people in this part of the world.

We are grateful for the presence of Dr. H. J. Coker, represent-

g the Commission on Finance, whose address on our General enevolences was both instructive and inspiring. We are always ore than glad to welcome our Secretaries and to listen to their lvice and good cheer.

We were much pleased with the appointment of Dr. Freeman Bovard as one of the Corresponding Secretaries. In Doctors att, Boswell and Bovard we recognize men who are not only eply interested in our Japanese work but also leaders whom the ıole Church may follow confident of success.

Dr. J. A. Mulfinger.

Dr. Mulfinger, the Recording Secretary of the Board of Con- rence Claimants, addressed us and greatly encouraged us with s report of the success of his Board in securing, since the last neral Conference, $2,000,000 of the $5,000,000 to be raised for e aid of Retired Preachers. We wish the Board continued suc- ss in this most worthy object, and we will help all we can.

Revs. T. Ukai and H. Kawasumi.

Rev. T. Ukai, pastor of the Ginza Church in Tokyo, and Rev. Kawasumi, Secretary of the Japan Sunday School Union, visited Preliminary Annual Meeting, and refreshed and encouraged us their words of good cheer. We bid them Godspeed as they now urn to Japan to continue their work there.

New Members.

Brothers K. Kanazawa, M. Obayashi, S. Yoshimura and I. Ar- hi have joined our Mission during the year. Giving them each l all a hearty brotherly welcome to our ranks, we trust they may e years of great success in saving precious souls and in building on sure foundations the Kingdom o fRighteousness, Truth and e.

The Oakland Church and Others.

To the Ladies' Aid Society of the Oakland Church who have ountifully provided the noonday meal for us, we are greatly in- ted. Indeed, we also desire to extend our heartfelt thanks for he courtesies shown by the pastor and members of the Oakland rch, by the Japanese Press, and by Mrs. S. Takeshita who kindly d as organist.

Other Friends.

To all who in any way contributed to our success the past year would express our sincerest thanks, commending them all to our venly Father.

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STATISTICS PACIFIC JAPANESE MISSION, 1914.

	Name of Charge	Name of Pastor	Support of Pastor: Total Claim	Paid incl'd House Rent	Deficiency	Bishop's Claim	Am't Paid Bishop	Am't apport'n'd Con. Cl'm'ts	Total Amt' Paid	Total Deficiency	Sunday-schools: Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP: Adults Baptized	Children Bapt.	Bapt. Children Probationers	Probationers enrolled Dur. Year	Probationers Now on Roll	Members on Roll	Non-Resident Members	Local Preachers	Year's Deaths	Epw'th League: Senior Members	Junior Members
1	Bakersfield	M. Yoshida	132	60	72	2	2	1	63	72	.. ..	...	..	..	..	7	7	15	1	..	..	...	..
2	Berkeley	K. Yoshioka	452	212	240	2	2	1	215	240	1 3	35	5	5	4	7	9	27	...	2	..	10	..
3	Denver	H. Shirato	900	360	540	3	3	1	364	540	1 2	23	1	1	..	5	3	46	6	1	..	10	10
4	Florin	Y. Tsuda	557	77	480	1	1	1	79	480	1 2	43	..	..	..	3	3	6	...	..	..	24	..
5	Fresno	M. Yoshida	600	324	276	5	5	2	331	276	1 6	20	2	5	1	15	11	46	13	..	..	11	..
6	Imp. Valley	K. Baba	671	111	560	4	4	2	117	560	.. ..	...	..	..	..	7	7	15	...	1	..	...	..
7	Loomis	Y. Naito	480	240	240	3	3	1	244	240	1 2	20	1	7	1	1	3	38	...	..	..	41	..
8	Los Angeles	S. Kawashima	720	324	396	7	7	3	334	396	2 6	62	8	3	..	34	30	96	40	1	1	65	..
9	Oakland	S. Yoshimura	660	180	480	5	5	1	186	480	1 4	20	5	1	..	10	10	54	7	..	..	...	..
10	Oxnard	A. Kiniwa	260	....	260	2	2	1	3	260	.. ..	...	9	2	..	3	6	38	...	..	..	...	..
11	Palo Alto	T. Komuro	180	60	120	2	2	1	63	120	.. ..	...	..	..	..	...	...	38	...	..	..	...	..
12	Portland	K. Kanazawa	410	170	240	8	8	4	182	240	1 2	20	3	..	..	23	23	60	78	..	..	50	..
13	Pueblo	H. Shirato	445	157	288	2	2	1	160	288	1 2	20	10	..	..	10	...	25	...	..	..	20	5
14	Riverside	Otoe So	868	568	300	4	4	2	574	300	1 2	30	6	6	12	6	2	74	10	..	..	25	..
15	Sacramento	Y. Yamaka	600	180	420	4	4	2	186	420	1 3	40	5	..	..	5	3	29	7	1	2	25	..
16	San Francisco	T. Komuro	1020	576	444	10	10	5	591	444	1 5	61	3	2	..	5	33	269	166	..	..	41	..
17	San Jose	K. Matsuoka	480	48	432	3	3	2	53	432	1 2	25	5	3	1	6	6	61	7	..	..	...	..
18	Seattle	M. Obayashi	660	180	480	8	8	4	192	480	1 3	28	..	3	..	4	4	95	...	1	..	45	..
19	Spokane	A. Kato	800	440	360	2	2	1	443	360	2 2	36	..	..	..	15	13	17	5	1	..	22	..
20	Tacoma	K. Takaku	360	20	340	2	2	1	23	340	1 2	37	2	..	..	2	7	24	2	..	..	18	..
21	Vacaville	Y. Yamaka	180	....	180	1	1	..	1	180	.. ..	...	1	..	..	1	1	26	13	..	..	...	..
		Total for 1914	11445	4287	7158	80	80	37	4403	*7158	18 48	514	66	38	19	169	181	1082	355	8	3	382	15
		Total for 1913	10487	4063	6424	70	70	34	4167	6424	18 44	362	53	32	13	148	173	1008	244	10	6	320	10
			958	224	734	10	10	3	237	734	.. 4	152	13	6	6	21	8	74	111	..	..	62	5

Name of Charge	CHURCH PROPERTY									DISCIPLINARY BENEVOLENCES								OTHER BENEVOLENCES						
	Churches	Estimated Value	Parsonages	Estimated Value	Paid for Bldg and Improving	Paid on Old Indebtedness	Present Indebtedness	Exp. Sexton, Fuel, Light,&	Institutional Work	Board of Foreign Missions	Bd. of H. M. & Ch. Extension	Freedman's Aid Society	Bd. of Education	Board of Sunday Schools	Board of Conference Cl'm'ts.	Church Temperance Society	American Bible Society	Total Disciplinary Benevolences	Jap. Pastors' Aid Society	Other Benevolences	Total Benevolences	Sup. Conference Claimants	Support Bishops	Grand Total
1 Bakersfield .	*1	725	1	332	....	....	....	....	....	10	12	....	..	....	1	..	....	23	5	..	28	1	2	.. 31
2 Berkeley ...	..	.....	..	....	....	....	....	62	150	10	8	2	1	1	1	1	1	25	7	..	32	1	2	.. 35
3 Denver	*1	3700	..	....	2000	....	1700	103	231	17	15	3	1	2	1	1	....	40	15	..	55	1	3	.. 59
4 Florin	*1	1500	..	....	500	....	1000	....	120	4	5	..	..	1	....	..	....	10	10	..	20	1	1	.. 22
5 Fresno	2	5000	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	38	50	1	1	2	1	1	1	95	25	..	120	2	5	.. 127
6 Imp. Valley.	..	.....	..	....	....	....	....	250	....	18	25	1	2	2	1	1	2	52	10	..	62	2	4	.. 68
7 Loomis	*1	850	1	800	1000	....	600	60	....	14	12	2	1	2	1	1	1	34	20	..	54	1	3	.. 58
8 Los Angeles.	1	6500	1	2000	....	300	368	382	....	60	52	9	5	7	3	2	3	141	40	..	181	3	7	.. 191
9 Oakland	1	10000	..	....	....	150	650	224	....	30	33	2	..	3	2	1	1	72	20	..	92	3	5	.. 100
10 Oxnard	1	2200	1	800	200	....	....	101	....	18	16	3	1	2	1	1	1	43	10	..	53	1	2	.. 56
11 Palo Alto...	..	.....	..	....	....	....	....	20	....	5	4	..	..	....	1	..	....	10	7	..	17	1	2	.. 20
12 Portland ...	1	25000	..	....	....	....	3500	36	583	60	72	2	3	3	2	1	3	146	35	..	181	4	8	.. 193
13 Pueblo	..	.....	..	....	....	....	....	70	122	5	4	..	..	....	1	..	....	10	15	..	25	1	2	.. 28
14 Riverside ...	1	3500	1	1000	250	....	....	175	185	37	37	1	3	4	2	1	2	87	25	..	112	2	4	* 118
15 Sacramento .	1	5700	..	....	....	....	....	59	31	31	27	5	2	4	2	1	2	74	25	..	99	2	4	.. 105
16 San Francisco	1	24000	..	....	....	....	....	284	....	54	90	6	3	11	5	1	7	177	30	..	207	5	10	* 222
17 San Jose	1	3800	..	....	200	....	....	188	....	18	16	3	1	2	2	1	1	44	15	..	59	2	3	.. 64
18 Seattle	1	20000	..	....	....	150	1200	....	....	46	68	2	2	3	2	1	1	125	40	..	165	2	8	.. 175
19 Spokane	..	.....	..	....	....	....	....	168	53	13	20	...	1	1	1	..	1	37	20	..	57	1	2	.. 60
20 Tacoma	..	.....	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	10	8	1	..	1	1	..	...	21	15	10	46	1	2	.. 49
21 Vacaville ...	1	3150	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	5	6	1	..	1	...	1	...	14	...	..	14	..	1	*3 15
Total for 1914..	16	115625	5	4932	4150	600	9018	2182	1475	503	580	44	27	52	31	16	27	1280	389	10	1679	37	80	*3 1799
Total for 1913..	15	113925	4	4132	3275	...	8266	1938	501	500	528	72	41	60	27	17	29	1274	478	..	1882	37	70	.. ....
Gain...	1	1700	1	800	875	...	752	244	974	...	...													

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